

the General Assembly in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Wednesday, February twenty-second, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, and to sit on the Speaker's stand as guests of the General Assembly.

SEC. 2. That this Resolution shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 24th day of February, 1939.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING NORTH CAROLINA DELEGATION IN CONGRESS TO SECURE NECESSARY LEGISLATION AT THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS TO AUTHORIZE BOARD OF ENGINEERS OR UNITED STATES ARMY ENGINEERS CORPS TO MAKE SURVEYS OF UPPER CAPE FEAR RIVER TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN.

Inequality of
State in Federal
appropriations.

WHEREAS, North Carolina has received relatively less benefit from Federal New Deal spending, in proportion to taxes paid into the Federal Treasury, than any other State in the American Union; and

Natural resources
of State.

WHEREAS, the natural resources and streams of North Carolina need and are worthy of great development, and particularly its farms, forests, rivers and sounds; and

Importance of
Cape Fear River.

WHEREAS, approximately one-third of all the people of North Carolina live within the drainage basin or watershed of the Cape Fear River, this being North Carolina's most extensive watercourse wholly confined within State limits; and

Economic value to
State in develop-
ment facilities of
river.

WHEREAS, navigation improvements are being made on the Lower Cape Fear; but little, if anything, has been done in this regard as to the portion of the Cape Fear River above Fayetteville; and soil conservation, flood control, navigation and possible power development may be practically accomplished and of great economic value to that section and to the State if this drainage area were given the study and development comparable to that given like or similar areas and conditions elsewhere in the United States: *Now, therefore,*

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

N. C. delegation
in Congress urged
to seek Federal aid
for development of
facilities of river.

SECTION 1. That all Senators and Representatives in Congress from North Carolina, and each of them, be requested to secure enactment at this session of Congress of resolution or necessary authorization empowering the Board of Engineers